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Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of the claims in

this application.

Listing of the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A process of treating a fabric comprising the steps of applying,

in any order, to said fabric a first composition, and a second composition, and wherein said

first and/or second composition comprises a surfactant, and wherein upon contact of said first

and second compositions heat is generated.

2. (Currently Amended) The A process according to claim 1, wherein the heat

generation is provided by an exothermic process either of chemical or physical nature.

3. (Currently Amended) The process of Claim claim 1, wherein the heat generation is

provided by an exothermic process either of chemical or physical nature selected from the

group consisting of: dissolution of organic or inorganic salts; oxidations or reductions;

hydration of substantially anhydrous compounds; and acid/base reactions; and mixtures

thereof.

4. (Currently Amended) The process of Claim claim 1, wherein said first composition

comprises a first compound of a binary heat generating system and said second composition

comprises a second compound of a binary heat generating system.

5. (Currently Amended) The A process according to claim 4, wherein said first

compound is selected from the group consisting of organic and inorganic salts and mixtures

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thereof; and said second compound is selected from the group consisting of: water; and polar solvents; and mixtures thereof.

6. (Currently Amended) <u>The</u> A process according to claim 4, wherein said first compound is selected from the group consisting of an oxidizing agent and a mixture thereof; and said second compound is selected from the group consisting of a reducing agent and a mixture thereof.

- 7. (Currently Amended) The A process according to claim 4, wherein said first compound is selected from the group consisting of: anhydrous zeolites; anhydrous alumino silicates; and mixtures thereof; and said second compound is selected from the group consisting of: water; and polar solvents; and mixtures thereof.
- 8. (Currently Amended) The A process according to claim 4, wherein said first compound is selected from the group consisting of: organic and inorganic acids and mixtures thereof; and said second compound is selected from the group consisting of: organic and inorganic bases and mixtures thereof.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The process of Claim claim 1, wherein said fabric is a carpet.
- 10. (Currently Amended) The process of Claim 1 claim 13, wherein the heat generated (ΔT) upon contact of the two compositions is at least 1° C when measured upon the fabric.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The process of Claim claim 1, wherein one of said compositions is a solid composition and the other of said two compositions is a liquid or solid

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composition.

12. (Currently Amended) The A process according to claim 11, wherein the other of said

two compositions is a conventional carpet treatment/cleaning composition or water.

13. (Currently Amended) A process for cleaning a carpet comprising contacting a carpet

with a first composition, and a second composition, and wherein said first and/or second

composition comprises a surfactant, and wherein upon contact of said first and second

compositions with each other, heat is generated to provide a carpet cleaning benefit.

14. (Currently Amended) The process of Claim claim 1, wherein said surfactant is

selected from the group consisting of anionic surfactants, zwitterionic surfactants and

mixtures thereof.

15. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 1, wherein said surfactant is selected from

the group consisting of sulfosuccinate surfactants, sulfosuccinamate surfactants,

sulfosuccinamide surfactants, carboxylate surfactants, sarcosinate surfactants, alkyl sulfate

surfactants, alkyl sulphonate surfactants, alkyl glycerol sulfate surfactants, alkyl glycerol

sulphonate surfactants, zwitterionic betaine surfactants and mixtures thereof.

16. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 1, wherein said surfactant is a mixture of

a sulfosuccinate surfactant and a second anionic surfactant.

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17. (Currently Amended) The process of Claim claim 13, wherein said surfactant is

selected from the group consisting of anionic surfactants, zwitterionic surfactants and

mixtures thereof.

18. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 13, wherein said surfactant is selected

from the group consisting of sulfosuccinate surfactants, sulfosuccinamate surfactants,

sulfosuccinamide surfactants, carboxylate surfactants, sarcosinate surfactants, alkyl sulfate

surfactants, alkyl sulphonate surfactants, alkyl glycerol sulfate surfactants, alkyl glycerol

sulphonate surfactants, zwitterionic betaine surfactants and mixtures thereof.

19. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 13, wherein said surfactant is a mixture of

a sulfosuccinate surfactant and a second anionic surfactant.

20. (New) A process of treating a fabric comprising the steps of applying, in any order, to

said fabric a first composition and a second composition, wherein said first and/or second

composition comprises a surfactant, wherein upon contact of said first and second

compositions heat is generated, and wherein the heat generated (ΔT) upon contact of the two

compositions is at least 1° C when measured upon the fabric.

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